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## FRESH ATTACKS ON BRITAIN IMMINENT

## Improvement Program Whipped Into Shape

Officials Ponder Entire New Charter or Simply **More Amendments** 

CORP. COUNSEL LYNCH **WORKS ON SUGGESTIONS** 

New Charter More Convenient, But May Not Be Warranted

No decision has yet been made on whether changes in the city charter recommended by the city administration will take the form of a "new" charter or instead a series of amendments to the already much-amended charter under which Waterbury operates, Corporation Counsel J. General Assembly, with a bitter battle in prospect that may interfere with other legislation as did the charter, if offered, would be dual job bill controversy at the sesbasically the same as the present sion two years ago. Party lines will charter but it would allow all be crossed over the issue, the deamendments, old and new, to be put bate over which has leaders of both in their proper places and make possible the elimination of ambiguities and contradictions that now

New Charter Better

"It would be more convenient to Make Birth Control Legal will ask new charter course", s.id Mr. Lynch, "but one of the questions is whether the changes to be recommended will be sufficient to warrant such a procedure. It may turn out to be better to offer the changes as amendments, not as part of a whole new

The corporation counsel stated that he does not feel at liberty to discuss the nature of the charter by the city administration. He is daily receiving recommendations and suggestions for amendments, he

In Skeleton Form With January 31 as the deadline for filing bills at Hartford, it is

probable that the charter bill bills will be filed only in skeleton

### SUICIDE AIDE IS IMPRISONED ature and equipment at the clinic, located at the Chase Dispensary,

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Hartford, Conn., Jan. 18—(UP)— George H. Goodrich, 31, New Britain, today began a five to eight years' state's prison term after conviction in superior court on a charge he aided a close friend to commit suicide by inhaling carbon monoxide fumes in an automobile. Goodrich formally was charged with manslaughter in a case which State's Attorney Hugh M. Alcorn District-Attorney Robert F. Braddescribed as "in a class by itself." ford that he would take action him-self if the cleanup was not effected Raymond Nelson, 33, with whom within 24 hours.

he lived, to commit suicide Aug. 29. Alcorn said the suicide followed beating of an alleged bookmaker quarrel between the two men. Thursday by four assailants. The Nelson, according to the state's at- attack occurred in a resort which torney, wanted to commit suicide, police had ordered closed a day and Goodrich agreed to aid him.

# CHANGES ARE Get Bond Program PLANES ASKED

NOT DECIDED Plan for Long Range Capital Improvements Here in New Shape—Figure Now \$2,500,000—City to Sell Part of Issue Each Year

> The plan for a city bond issue to finance a long range program of capital improvements will be submitted to the Board of Finance for consideration very soon, reliable sources said today. Mayor Vincent A. Scully who is not yet committed to the plan, is expected to place it before the finance commissioners at either a special executive session or at an adjourned meeting the 27th.
>
> Little has been heard of the bond

Expected to Provide One

of Bitterest Fights in

Legislature

Birth control promises to be the most explosive issue before the 1941

parties seriously worried for, as one

prominent legislator put it to this

reporter, "The thing's loaded with

modify a decades-old statute for-

bidding the dissemination of birth

control information. The organiza-

tion has branches in most sections

Watertown as one of its most ac-

tive officers and with a number of

tee's hill though not yet introduced

will undoubtedly ask that physicians

The fear of leading legislators is

that during hearings and debate on the bill the discussion will approach

or pass the danger line, involving

personalities and disparagement of religious beliefs.

Formation of the Connecticut Committee to Make Birth Control

Legal began after a chain of events

that started in Waterbury. Follow-

ing disclosure by The Democrat that a birth control clinic was op-

erating here, State's Attorney Wil-

liam B. Fitzgerald went into action He ordered the confiscation of liter-

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UNDERGO CLEAN-UP

Malden, Mass., Jan. 18 - (U.P.)

-Mayor William E. Hastings today

ordered closing of all gambling es-

tablishments and other illegal en-

terprises after an ultimatum by District-Attorney Robert F. Brad-

Bradford's warning followed the

Italians Claim They Hit It

MALDEN, MASS., TO

be given legislative authority to dis-

pense birth control information.

dynamite."

issue proposal in recent weeks, but Controller Thomas M. Conlon has been working on it steadily and virtually all details have been arranged It will be for the finance board to decide whether it should be adopted and the legislature asked WILL BE ISSUE to authorize the city to sell the

In its present stage, the plan calls for a bond issue of about \$2,500,000, only half of the figure mentioned originally when The Democrat disclosed several months ago that the bond proposal was under considera-

The bill authorizing the city would state explicitly what the bonds were to be used for, with the requirement that they must be used for Roosevelt's special envoy, on those purposes and that under no circumstances is the money derived from bond sales to go into the genfrom bond sales to go into the general fund.

In Installments After receiving legislative authorization the city would sell only a certain amount of the bonds each year, for instance \$500,000 a year civilization." He added: "We on this lelevel stone for the second stone in the for five years. The money would be this island stand four square in the used to defray the cost of such impath of the European dictators. provements as a second pipe line Their threats will not appall us." from the Morris reservoir, a sewage disposal plant and perhaps a munic-

not favor any program which would many, and his conviction that Bri-increase the amount of bond debt tain would win a complete and deand interest the city pays each year cisive victory over the "forces of and the new bonds would be dated to fall due after the present debt evil". load has been greatly reduced. Some of the money raised each year might be used to pay off older bonds as they mature.

Earmark Money
By the provision that the money

### (Continued on Page 2) RAF PLANES IN SUCCESSFUL RAID

London, Jan. 18 - (U.P.) -Royal Air Force coastal command planes yesterday scored direct hits on four enemy ships off the Dutch coast and left one in a sinking condition, the air ministry said today.

Last night, the ministry said, tar-gets at Brest and Cherbourg and German airdromes in occupied

France were bombed.
"Coastal command planes bombed and machine gunned enemy shipping off the Dutch coast yesterday afternoon and scored direct billions. afternoon and scored direct hits on sinking with only its stern visible above water," the air ministry's communique said. "Another ship was seen listing to starboard.

"Night operations were greatly restricted becouse of bad weather but small scale attacks were made on docks at Brest and Cherbourg and two airdromes in occupied France. None of our planes is missing."

Need More Than We Can Pay for, He Says, as **Hopkins Listens** 

PRESENCE OF HOPKINS TERMED IMPORTANT

"Large Armies From Overseas" Required, Says Churchill

BY WALLACE CARROLL (United Press Staff Correspondent)

London, January 18. —
(UP) — Prime Minister
Winston Churchill, addressing an open air gathering of air raid precautions workers at Glasgow last night with Harry L. Hopkins, President

ships and planes. He said frankly that Britain would He expressed his hope that by the end of this year or the beginning of 1942 Britain would have Controller Conlon, it is known, will reached arms equality with Ger-

Hopkins Present

It was evident that Churchill attached great importance to the presence of Hopkins. He and Hopkins had just ended a rapid tour of Glasgow's civil defenses when he made a short speech in response to

the cheers of a crowd.

Hopkins was sitting shyly beside
Churchill, his face half hidden behind one hand, when Churchill

"Mr. Hopkins has come in order to put himself in the closest relation with things here. He will soon return and report to his famous chief the impressions he has gathered in our islands."

Don't Need Armies Then he turned toward Hopkins and continued: "We do not require in 1941 large armies from overseas. What we do require is weapons, ships, airplanes.

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## **PUPILS PLANNED**

Gov. Hurley Works on Distribution to Undernourished Children

Distribution of milk to undernourished school children as a means of aiding farmers to dispose of their milk surplus is provided in a plan being prepared for sub-mission to Gov. Robert A. Hurley. The plan is being worked out by Senator Alfred Bingham, of the 20th district, chairman of the senate committee on agriculture. One of the most vexing questions in connection with the plan is whether the farmers should be given a direct state subsidy or whether a city like Waterbury, for instance, should contribute to the cost. One suggestion advanced is that state

Gov. Hurley stressed the import-ance of the milk question during his campaign and will probably ask the legislature to set up a special com-mission to survey the whole situa-tion. It is his belief that the farmer should get a larger share of the profit on milk, but the quest is how teps can be taken to insure this. Senator Bingham believes that the acome of dairy farmers could be increased by setting a program for giving the surplus milk to children in schools about the state. Much of the surplus is now sold as skim milk and used in the manufacture

and municipalities share the cost

of dairy products.

During and since his campaign, Gov. Hurley has talked with farmers, dealers and producers to learn their beliefs on what steps should be taken to improve the milk sit-uation. It is believed that the governor will make the milk question the subject of one of his earliest egislative requests,

## CITY CHARTER Finance Board To GUNS, SHIPS, Hitler, Mussolini Conference Over Week-End Is Rumored

Ice, Snow, Sleet-And Death



Ice, snow and sleet were at their destructive worst in the storm which swept the Eastern seaboard, leaving a trail of death and destruction in its wake. Driver and helper had narrow escape when this truck skidded off a glasty road near Great Neck, L. I., snapped off this telephone pole which crashed on truck. Neither man was injured.

### Knudsen Makes Final GREATER BOSTON BEING PLANNED Appeal For Lend-Aid

Will Be Last of Administration Leaders to Seek Congressional O. K. on Bill; Sen. Wheeler in Further Attack Following Churchill's Utterances

## 1,000 ITALIANS REPORTED TAKEN

Greek Report Also Says Two Italian Liners Have Been Torpedoed

Athens, Greece, Jan. 18-(UP)-Greek troops captured 1,000 Italians yesterdayl, according to an official communique and some of them were ton Liguria, were torpedoed in the

called "wolves of Tuscany," the com-munique said. They included many officers, among them Col. Managet-American boys being plowed under

some of the prisoners had crossed to Albania aboard transports in the same convoys with the torpedoed as a program to "plow under every Lombardia and Liguria. They had fourth American boy" was debeen in Albania only a short time, he said.

The Lombardia, before she became a troop transport, was the 11th largest Italian merchant ship. She was built in 1920. The Liguria was the 16th largest Italian merchant ship. Both ships belonged to the Lloyd Triestino Line and operated from Genoa. A Greek submarine recently was

credited with sinking two ships in an Italian convoy in the Adriatic but they were not identified. The government spokesman said Greek troops retained the offensive on the Albanian fronts and that re-sults were "very favorable." The Italians have been dislodged from new positions and prisoners and wa material have been captured by the Greeks, the spokesman said.

> WAR IN EUROPE A YEAR AGO, JAN. 18, 1940

By United Press Finns reported more civilian fa-talities from Russian air raids. Five men killed in explosion Royal Gunpowder Factory at Waltham Abbey, Eng.

Losses in the war at sea: Brit-ish ship Cairnross and tanker In-verdargle, Norwegian steamships Fagerhelm and Enid, and German

By JOHN R. BEAL (United Press Staff Correspondent)

Washington, Jan. 18-(UP)-William S. Knudsen, top figure of the nation's gigantic defense effort, concludes the appeal of administration leaders today for prompt congressional enactment of President Roosevelt's lend-lease bill for all-out aid to Great Britain.

The Danish-born immigrant who rose to the top in American indus-try was called before the House foreign affairs committee for testimony on the measure after Republican presidential candidate Wendell L. Willkie had notified Chairman Sol Bloom, D., N. Y., that he would be

unable to appear today.

Prime Minister Winston Churchquoted that two Italian liners, the ill's appeal for far more American 20,006-ton Lombardia and the 15,354- munitions, ships and planes than Britain can pay for served as a springboard for a further attack on Adriatic white bound for Albania the lend-lease bill by Senator Burton K. Wheeler, D., Mont., leader The prisoners were mainly from of the Senate non-interventionist the famed "Lupi" division, the so- bloc and most outspoken opponent

ti, commander of the 77th Regiment if Mr. Rosevelt's war-dictatorship bill is passed," he said, "Mr. Church-A government spokesman said ill's statement ought to settle it." Wheeler's original reference to the administration's foreign policy fourth American boy" was de-nounced by Mr. Roosevelt earlier this week as "dastardly, untruthful and unpatriotic." In commenting on Churchill's statement, the Montanan

> JOURNAL-COURIER "It has come to me from several reliable sources that Mr. Churchill has been insisting upon a declaration of war by this country—not with the idea of sending an expedi-tionary force immediately—but with the idea of bolstering the morale of the small nations of Europe as well as the morale of his own people.
> "My information is that Mr. P.) — The New Haven Journal-Courier did not publish for the sec-ond time today because of a strike (Harry) Hopkins was sent to Engond time today because of a strike of composing room employes.
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> The Yale Daily News, the oldest college daily in the country, increased its Saturday edition to 5,000 copies on the street. The paper increased its size to 10 pages.
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> The paper's entire student editorial staff was called in to aid in publication of local and national news.
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> The New Haven Register, afterland for the purpose of determining

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### KIDNAPING IS **BEING PROBED**

Boston, Jan. 18 — (U.P.) — Police investigating the kidnaping of 13-month-old Joan Marie Havlin, found unharmed in a snow ift near her home, today pursued meager clues after search of the vicinity of the Havlin home in Dorchester revealed no footprints in snow under the child's window.

Members of the family expressed doubt that an intruder could have passed through the house and taken the baby without being noticed. Only traces of the kidnaper were the footprints of a woman's shoes near the spot where the child was found.

War Consultations of Axis Powers Portend Fresh Impetus to Attacks

MANY EVENTS LINKED IN DEVELOPMENTS

Petain Summons Meeting of Minister's Council at Vichy

BY HARRISON SALISBURY

(United Press Staff Correspondent) Axis war conferences, possibly including a meeting of Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini, strengthened belief today that new blows against Great Britain are being prepared. The Hitler-Mus-solini meeting still was in the rumor stage but suggestions that the Axis leaders might confer over the week-end

received some support from Rome. Italian officials declined to comment on the reports but admitted that for the first time in many years Mussolini had cancelled an appearance scheduled for Sunday at which he was due to present prizes to Italy's champion wheat growers.

Economic Discussions Rome also admitted that on Monday important war consultati an economic nature will open between German and Italian repre-

There were two obscure develop-ments — one in the Balkans and one at Vichy — which may fit in with Axis war plans.

Annexation of Nearby

Cities Recommended in

Land Institute Proposal

Boston, Jan. 18.—(UP)—A reorganization plan that included annexing of adjacent cities was pro-

ninth largest city, by the Urban Land Institute, an independent real

estate research agency with head-

worked in cooperation with city, state and federal agencies. Accord-

over a wide metropolitan area, a

Recommendations for Boston's re-

1. State receivership for approxi-

mately 10 years to permit reorgan-

ization of city finances. This action

would take advantage of an existing

Massachusetts law in the same way

2. Annexation of the residential

communities of Chelsea, Revere, Winthrop and other adjacent cities

where mutual advantage can be

3. Establishment of a new county

government to furnish municipal services to all municipalities in the

Boston area, including those now

served by the Metropolitan District

4. Removal of traffic difficulties

by rebuilding the entire market dis-

trict at a more accessible point, by

halving the number of licensed taxi-

cabs, by prohibiting truck traffic in

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New Haven, Conn., Jan. 18 - (U.

The New Haven Register, after-noon newspaper, also was affected by the composing room strike, leav-ing the city without a local daily for

the first time in nearly 25 years.

BRIDGEPORT INCLUDED

Washington, Jan. 18-(UP)-The

Civil Aeronautics board late yester-

day granted the application of American Airlines, Inc., to include Bridgeport, Conn., as an interest diate stop on its New York to Eus-

Fall River did in 1932.

quarters at Chicago.

zoning laws.

today for Boston, the nation's

The Bulgarian minister to Berlin, Parvan Draganoff, arrived in Sofia and went into immediate conference with Foreign Minister Ivan Popoff. His return started reports that a cabinet reconstruction was imminent due to the continued poor health of Premier Bogdan Filoff.

Should a cabinet reconstruction occur in Bulgaria it might be the signal for the long-awaited and often rumored German move into that country. Some reports have insisted that a Nazi move into Bulgaria was being held up for two reasons: Necessary to reconstruct the cabinet and improvement of the weather.

The institute's report was made after a study by William H. Ballard, Boston real estate appraiser who Petain Calls Ministers At Vichy Marshal Henri Philippe Petain summoned a meeting of his ing to the survey, the city suffers from decentralization of population council of ministers. The council has not met for many days and the call might indicate that Vichy too-high tax rate and inflexible finally has received a reply from Germany on the crisis which re-sulted from the ouster of vice-Prem-

ier Pierre Laval. It has been reported that Petain desired to make changes in his cabinet but that these have been held up by lack of word from the Germans on Adolf Hitler's attitude. That Great Britain is convinced that new, powerful blows will soon be struck by Germany was made evident by Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

Great Danger Ahead
In a speech at Glasgow last night
at which he significantly noted the presence of President Roosevelt's emissary, Harry L. Hopkins, on the platform, Churchill warned that great dangers lie directly ahead of Britain.

Chuchill appealed for more weapons, ships and planes from the United States—more than Britain had funds to pay for—but added that his country had no need "in 1941" of great armies from overseas. Both Britain and Germany spoke

RNAL-COURIER

IS STILL DARK

of new air weapons today.

The British said they were building new 3-motor long-distance fighter planes to escort their bombers on day attacks on the Burepean continent. They said they hoped for air mastery in 1942.

Germany revealed that a new

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Italians claim to have torpedoed the 22,600-tone British aircraft carrier Eagle, above, from a plane, bringing total of British warships in Mediterranean either destroyed or damaged by new Axis offensive against British scapower to 15. Plane in photo is British Daffin scout, returning to ship after reconnaisance.